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FOR AMB SCHAUFLELE FROM WISNER

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SUBJECT: RHODESIA CONFERENCE: SMITH'S PLANS FOR ADJOURNMENT

1. I HAVE BEEN IN TOUCH WITH JACK GAYLARD TWICE SINCE MY MEETING WITH IAN SMITH THIS MORNING TO URGE THAT SMITH BE PATIENT, GIVE US A CHANCE TO REACT TO HIS MESSAGE, AND NOT PLAN TO LEAVE AS EARLY AS HE IMPLIED IN HIS CONVERSATION THIS MORNING. I HAVE TOLD GAYLARD OF THE SECRETARY'S PERSONAL HOPE THE PRIME MINISTER WILL STICK IT OUT FOR THE WEEK IN QUESTION. GAYLARD ASSURES ME THAT THE SECRETARY'S WISHES AND MY MESSAGE HAVE BEEN TRANSMITTED TO THE PRIME MINISTER.

2. GAYLARD ASKED IF I COULD BE MORE SPECIFIC WHEN NEXT WEEK THE PRIME MINISTER COULD COUNT ON LEAVING. I TOLD HIM I PREFERRED NOT TO BE SPECIFIC. HE TOLD ME THE PRIME MINISTER HAD COMMITMENTS IN RHODESIA AND HE, GAYLARD, HAD TO ARRANGE SCHEDULING. I TOLD GAYLARD I HOPED HE COULD HOLD OFF DEFINITE COMMITMENTS UNTIL I RETURNED FROM LONDON. CATTO

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